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SUBJECT: ARID LAND RESEARCH DIRECTOR'S POSSIBLE VISIT

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BEIRUT FOR REG AG ATTACHE

1. AGRICULTURE UNDERSECRETARY SALIM MOHAMED SHABAN WELCOMES VISIT DR. HAMDI ISSA UNDER PROVISIO THAT OMAN BE VIEWED AS POSSIBLE SITE FOR ECONOMICALLY FEASIBLE PROJECT RATHER THAN CONTINUING RESEARCH EFFORT. MINISTRY AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES, PETROLEUM AND MINERALS HAS OFFERED TO PAY DR. ISSA'S FOOD AND LODGING EXPENSES IN OMAN BUT UNWILLING FUND INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL. ADVISE SOONEST WHETHER THIS ARRANGEMENT ACCEPTABLE AND IF SO, WHEN VISIT CAN TAKE PLACE. MIGHT SUGGEST SUMMER TRAVEL DISCOMFORT FAVORS MINIMUM DELAY.

2. LIKELY DIFFICULTY OBTAINING OMAN VISA. THEREFORE SUGGEST FORWARD PPT DATA AND WE WILL ARRANGE FOR NO OBJECTION CERTIFICATE TO BE WAITING AT AIRPORT ON ARRIVAL. INCLUDE PPT. NO., DATE AND PLACE OF ISSUE, PLACE AND DATE OF BIRTH AND PARTICULARS OF ANY PREVIOUS VISIT TO OMAN.

3. IN ADDITION TO MINISTRY INTEREST, RESIDENT AMERICAN
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BUSINESSMAN PETER WILSON, MARDELA CORPORATION, WISHES DIS-

CUSS POSSIBLE SMALL-SCALE PROJECTS USING WASTE HEAT FROM
POWER PLANTS OR SIMILAR SOURCE.

4. EMBASSY APPRECIATES PAO NAIFEH'S EFFORTS IN ARRANGING
THIS VISIT ON BEHALF OUR COMMERCIAL PROGRAM. SUCH SUPPORT
EXCELLENT EXAMPLE GROWING USIS AWARENESS THEIR ROLE IN
TRADE EXPANSION EFFORTS.

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